REQUEST 09/317,986 Application Number Confirmation Number 9754 **FOR** May 25, 1999 TINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) Filing Date First Named Inventor Hidenori YAMANAKA **TRANSMITTAL** 1771 Group Art Unit MAIL STOP RCE C. Pratt **Examiner Name** Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Q54509 Matter Number Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 MELT-BLOWN, NON-WOVEN FABRIC OF Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, POLYARYLENE SULFIDE AND METHOD provides for continued examination of an utility or FOR PRODUCING SAME Title plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a. Previously submitted Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 i. 🗆 previously filed on Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on й. 🛘 iii. 🗆 b. 🗹 Enclosed Amendment/Reply i. 🗹 ii. 🗆 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. 🗆 Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) iv. 🗹 Petition for Extension of Time v. Other 2. MISCELLANEOUS Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of 3 Months b. ☑ Other Request for Telephone Interview 3. FEES Checks for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 and Extension of Time fee (for three (3) months) of \$980.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the Petition fee (Suspension of Action) of \$130.00 and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below: WASHINGTON OFFICE 23373 CUSTOMER NUMBER SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

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For: MELT-BLOWN, NON-WOVEN FABRIC OF POLYARYLENE SULFIDE AND

METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

MAIL STOP RCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants concurrently file herewith a RCE, a Petition for Suspension of Action under 37 C.F.R.§ 1.103(c) and a Petition for Extension of Time (for three (3) months)), extending the time for replying to the outstanding Office Action of June 3, 2004, to December 3, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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